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"All things come to them that wait, providing they hustle while they wait."—Charles W. Anderson. "Get out of our sunshine."—R. H. Boyd.

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W. L. CANSLER PASSES AWAY

TUESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 13

At Home of His Father, Knoxville, Tenn.

PROF. CANSLER WAS PROMINENT IN THE AFFAIRS OF HIS RACE, BOTH STATE AND NATIONAL—FROM HIS HANDS DROPPED THE MALLET AND CHISEL AS HE FELL ASLEEP WHILE CARVING OUT HIS LIFE'S TASKS.

Prof. W. L. Cansler died at the home of his father, at Knoxville, Tenn., Tuesday night, August 13. He had been sick about two years prior to his death which was not unexpected by his many friends.

Prof. Cansler was prominent for many years in the affairs of the race. He was a graduate of Roger Williams University. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of that institution and was always deeply interested in its welfare. He was some years ago



The late W. L. Cansler.

head of the Mailing Department of the National Baptist Publishing House. He was instructor for a number of years in the city schools where he did valuable service in the cause of education.

There are many young men and women out in the world busy at life's tasks, who received much of their early instruction and training under him. The impress of his indefatigable labors as an instructor will live on through the years in the achievements of men and women who once were his pupils. His former pupils respected him living; dead they will cherish his memory. It is fitting they should do so.

Prof. Cansler had a host of friends throughout the entire country, both in religious and fraternal organizations, who, though bowing submissively to the will of Heaven, will mourn his loss. The intimate friends of Prof. Cansler knew he was a serious man who took life seriously and seriously performed his duties. Death found him at his post of duty, not having relinquished the performance of a single one of the tasks of his many important positions.

At the time of his death Prof. Cansler held the following important positions: Secretary of National Baptist Convention, Secretary of Tennessee Baptist State Convention, Secretary of Stone's River Association, Secretary of Endowment Board K. of P., Clerk Pleasant Green Baptist Church and Superintendent of Pleasant Green Sunday School.

His re-election to these positions of trust from year to year indicate the confidence reposed in him.

While he has passed over the River of Death to rest under the shade of the Tree of Life on the other side, he will leave many who will reverence his memory as an earnest man of affairs and faithful Christian worker.

The remains of Prof. Cansler reached Nashville from Knoxville Thursday morning, and the funeral services will take place this afternoon at two o'clock from Pleasant Green Baptist Church, Jefferson street.

Miss Hazel Thompson, who for the past two years has taught in the A. M. A. schools further south, will remain in Nashville this winter.

DR. COLEMAN'S RESIDENCE AT BESSEMER.

The beautiful residence of Dr. W. H. Coleman, who about three years ago, married Miss Mattie Kirkpatrick, of this city, is one of the most up-to-date and latest improved dwelling houses in the city of Bessemer, Ala. The house has six rooms, but is a thing of architectural beauty. A broad circling porch fronts a well kept lawn with two main entrances approached with ornate walk and stone steps. The parlor, drawing and dining rooms are connected by large double sliding doors, by which the three rooms can be made one large beautiful hall. Dr. Coleman was very reticent when asked by a Globe representative as to what he had spent in putting up such a notable dwelling, but it was learned from those in a position to know, that fully \$5,000 had been spent in the site, building and furniture. Notwithstanding Dr. Coleman has not been out of school more than five years, he enjoys the latest practice in Bessemer, and Bessemer is one of the best business towns in the state of Alabama.

Much work is being done there by Negroes. It is only a few miles from Birmingham and can boast of having a number of well established business places, such as dry goods stores, undertaking establishments, confectionery stores, shops etc., conducted by Negroes. Mrs. Coleman has gained a host of friends and is indeed well liked by the Alabamians. Rev. L. Kirkpatrick, the father of Mrs. Coleman, contemplates visiting his daughter real soon.

MEHARRYITES IN BUSINESS.

It is remarkable to see the success being met with by the Meharry students in all parts of the United States, said the Globe man upon his return from a trip through Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, where he had been on important business. On his trip down he stopped over at Birmingham, and there he met fully a half dozen of the professional and business men from Meharry and Walden University, as well as Fisk. The Crystal Drug Store, at 1526 Second avenue, is possibly the latest development in Birmingham of the Meharryites. Dr. Chester A. Wilhite, Ph. C., of the class of 1906, is the proprietor. He is assisted by his brothers in conducting the business.

At Mobile there is the Shaw Pharmacy, a magnificent establishment that has been put up since Dr. E. O. Shaw left school, about seven or eight years ago. It is by far one of the best in the South. It is complete in every particular and speaks well for Mobile, as well as for the proprietor. There are scores of professional men making a good showing, but the two just mentioned in the business line, seem to have outstripped the others in the same length of time.

RATES ANNOUNCED TO WASHINGTON.

It is learned that the most flattering excursion rate that has been announced for some time has been given by all railroads south of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi to Washington, D. C., and return. The rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip has been put on for this occasion. Tickets will be sold by most of the roads on September 8 to 11, with a return limit of 15 days from date of sale. It is also announced that the tickets will be extended to October 1, by depositing them with the validating agent at Washington and by the payment of a fee of fifty cents. The four roads out of Nashville, viz., Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis, Louisville & Nashville, Illinois Central and the Southern Railway will all receive a goodly share of patronage. Many of the delegates in Nashville are already preparing to take in this trip, as it will enable them to visit the Jamestown Exposition at Norfolk, Va., as well as make a trip to New York and Philadelphia. A special Pullman car will go out of Nashville over one of these four roads straight through to Washington. And speculation has it that the Memphis delegation, the Jackson delegation and the Clarksville delegation will join the Nashville people at some point and proceed to Washington.

NOT YET, BUT SOON!

The Grill Club, of South Nashville, will give their annual banquet Friday, August 30, 1907, and its members are doing everything in their power to make it a swell affair.

POLICEMEN AND CIVILIANS

COWARDLY ASSAULT CITIZEN

Without Pretext Other than Meanness.

LAST SATURDAY NIGHT TWO OF NASHVILLE'S ACCREDITED POLICEMEN, WITH TWO OUTSIDE PALS, ASSAULT A WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN OUT ON THE SAD ERRAND TO GET ASSISTANCE TO HELP WITH HIS DEAD WIFE.

On last Saturday night two policemen and two civilians committed one of the most cowardly assaults ever heard of in the history of Nashville. Mr. Frank Mills, who lives at 1806 Jefferson street, was out at a late hour on a very sad mission. Mr. Mills' wife died about midnight, and as there were only a few friends present, he was compelled to go out for assistance. There was no one he could send, all of the friends present being ladies. Mr. Mills had been to the place and was returning home. When he was near the Jubilee Hall yard gate on Jefferson street he saw four men break across the street toward him. He was already unnerved over the great loss he had sustained, and was in no mood to receive another great shock. When he saw the men rushing toward him he called to them to stop. He least suspected that two of them were officers, for they had their coats off and were lounging around on the curbstone. Their appearance led Mr. Mills to believe that he was about to be attacked by a gang of cutthroats. He had nothing to protect himself with save a little old broken knife that would be harmless to a three-year-old boy. On they came rushing upon the man already stricken, and now before he can arrange to bury his dead wife he must be possibly murdered himself. But he kept cool. He called out to the intruders: "Who are you?" and to his great surprise the response was, "We are policemen." But they were not all policemen. Two of the men were not officers, for one of the men with the officers was only recently discharged from the fire department for insubordination. He was clearly recognized by Mr. Mills; but despite this fact he felt no further fear since policemen were there to protect him. He was mistaken, though, for the policeman, who had put on his coat and was thereby an officer and guardian of the peace, was the first to assault him. He did not wait to find out who it was nor what his mission was, but proceeded to administer a severe beating, pummeling the helpless and heartbroken man in the face with his fist and would not desist when Patrolman McKinstry told him that he knew Mr. Mills. When the blood-thirsty policeman had finally been persuaded to listen to the statement of his victim he remarked, "Well, I don't know whether you are telling the truth or not," and McKinstry said to him, "Well, old man, you had better get in."

Mr. Mills was an object of pity when seen by a Globe representative. The man was almost exhausted and mortified beyond expression. He said he had never been interfered with by a policeman before in his life, and he has lived in Nashville over twenty years. He is a contracting painter and previous to the death of his wife had conducted a grocery on Jefferson street next to his home. With tears streaming down his bruised cheeks, he said: "And I cannot go out on the streets to make preparation to bury my dead wife without being assaulted by an officer of the law."

Mr. Mills intends to report the case to the civil service commission, and his friends have expressed a desire to rally to his aid.

CAMP MEETING.

The camp meeting at 1518 North Cherry street, two blocks above the Bona Vista car line, grows better and better each night. The audiences increase in size every service and the interest in the meeting continues unabated. Services are conducted by Isabella Horton, supported by different preachers.

TENNESSEE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The State of Tennessee may not be contributing an equal share of the school funds to the educating of the Negro youth blessed with health, strength and with good sight, but certainly she has deported herself admirably in her care for the poor unfortunate blind children. The Colored Department of the Tennessee School for the Blind located in South Nashville on Tennessee street, is an example of the care, the thought and the affections with which the state, through its officers, is looking after these children. Not much attention, however, is paid by the parents of such children, and especially has it been noted that few of them are interested in those seemingly neglected ones that nature has tied to them by family connections. The colored department of this school has been established for more than a quarter of a century. In fact, Mrs. S. M. Lowe, the present principal, has been at work in this department for twenty-seven years. She has travelled extensively. Hardly a summer passes but that she spends it or a part of it in different parts of the state, presumably for rest, yet it is not known that she ever ceased from her untiring labors in the interest of these unfortunate little ones. At present she is in the extreme eastern portion of the state looking for a little recreation, and at the same time thinking and planning for the coming session of her school. It is hoped that every parent within the borders of this great Volunteer State, if they have a child totally or partially blind, will make an application to Mr. John V. Armstrong, Superintendent of Blind Institutions for the State of Tennessee at Nashville, who is equally interested in the care of these children. He has sent out a very strong letter all over the state urging parents to assist him in listing and getting into school these children. The following letter was received by a representative of the Globe from Mrs. S. M. Lowe, who is matron of the Colored Department:

"Believing that you will willingly give a moment of your valuable time to the service of humanity, I take the liberty of addressing you in behalf of the blind children of the state, who, in consequence of their affliction, are unable to attend the ordinary school and acquire the education deemed so necessary to the success and happiness of the children of this generation.

"Whereupon are more than one thousand of these unfortunate children in Tennessee, and some of them may be found in every section and in almost every community. Their parents and friends seem indifferent to the great blessings which this school freely offers all children with defective vision.

"It is erroneously thought that those only totally blind are admitted into this school. The privilege is extended to every child of school age who cannot see to read or who can only master lessons with pain and difficulty.

"If there are any of these children in your neighborhood I most earnestly trust that you will tell them of this institution and urge them to apply for admission, thereby assisting in giving hope and bringing sunshine to the hearts of the poor, helpless ones who now sit in ignorance and darkness.

"If you will kindly send me the names of parents of any of these children I shall be greatly obliged.

"Very respectfully,

"J. H. ARMSTRONG, Superintendent."

School will open September 1. S. M. Lowe, Matron of Colored Department. The present outlook for the opening of the school on September 1 is extremely bright. It will be remembered that last year two of our competent young ladies assisted Mrs. Lowe. They were in the person of Misses Minnie Mae Hunter and Elizabeth Sarah Wells. It is not known at this writing whether an addition to this number will be made for the term or not. At any rate the present principal and matron will not lose their interest, and the children will be favored with the same, if not increased number of instructors, and at the same time receive the benefits of all improvements that are being made from time to time along this line. There are people as interested, living right in the shadow of the school as one could be, yet it is never made manifest by their attention or their remarks concerning the school.

THOMPSON STATION NOTES.

Mr. W. J. Blanton visited here last Saturday.

Mr. W. J. Blanton was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. Darden, also Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Smith.

Miss H. L. Woldridge left last Sunday for Franklin, where she will spend the remainder of the summer.

TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

DIST. GRAND LODGE OF TENN.

Second Biennial of Households of Ruth.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL PLACE OF MEETING—WELCOME ADDRESS—ES AND AN ELABORATE DINNER AT GREENWOOD PARK TUESDAY—GREAT FRATERNAL MEETING—LARGE NUMBER OF VISITORS IN CITY DURING THE WEEK.

The largest delegation in the history of the Grand Lodge and Household of Ruth assembled this week to participate in the twenty-fifth annual session of the Grand Lodge under the jurisdiction of Tennessee. Fully one hundred men and twenty-five women, representing the thought of the organization were here to work for the principles represented by the G. U. O. of O. F. The appearance of the delegates was of such a high order that the whole body has received words of praise upon all sides.

Long before the hour of meeting on Tuesday the Odd Fellows Hall was packed to its fullest capacity and when Prof. W. S. Thompson, Grand Master, called the meeting to order for the usual opening service, it was hard to obtain order. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Coleman. The Household of Ruth was also called to order by the presiding officer.

About 9:30 a. m., the lodges assembled at the Odd Fellows Hall and, preceded by a battalion of Patriarches, under the direction of Capt. A. B. Carter and Grand Lodge Officers, also the Ruth's Juvenile, marched through the streets of the city to the beautiful auditorium in Greenwood Park, where the local committee had prepared to welcome the visitors to the city. The Auditorium was decorated with bunting and palms. At 11 o'clock, Rev. Preston Taylor, Master of Ceremonies, in a short address, called the meeting to order, after which Rev. Mr. Coleman offered invocation, which was followed by excellent selections by a musical organization from East Nashville.

Owing to the illness of Mayor T. O. Morris and Governor Patterson, the welcome address was delivered by Lawyer Grant, who said in part, "On behalf of the Lodges of Nashville, we are glad to welcome you to this our city and also to this beautiful park, which represents the genius of the black race of which we should all feel proud. We are welcoming you to our city, the grandest on earth. Knoxville may boast of her beautiful city; Memphis of her's; but none can excel Nashville in hospitality to her visitors."

Prof. W. S. Thompson, District Grand Master, responded on the behalf of the Lodges of Nashville. Several responses were made by different members of the Order. After the exercises the delegates were served dinner on the grounds.

There were fully five hundred people out to the park. The cars were crowded carrying the people; up until ten o'clock they continued to go. There was plenty to eat and everything one could wish in the line of amusements. In the afternoon the Old Plantation furnished amusement for the people, the skating rink was also opened and all seemed to be enjoying themselves.

On Wednesday evening the concert and entertainment were grand. The exercises were opened by a chorus composed of members of Households of Ruth; prayer by H. A. Malloy; and a number of addresses, which made the evening very enjoyable. The delegates were carried away with the two companies A and B, which entertained the audience with their drill.

On Thursday the assembly met and prepared for work at an early hour. In the evening a grand banquet was given in honor of the delegates and visitors to the annual session by the Lodges of Nashville, at the Odd Fellows Auditorium which was delightful.

Thursday's session at Odd Fellows Hall was well attended. There was an election of officers and an enormous quantity of business transacted, every moment of the time being taken up. A banquet closed the day's proceedings. The sessions of the Grand Lodge close to-day.

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